

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-43 (canceled).

44 (new). A communication apparatus connectable to a plurality of terminals via a network, comprising:

a storage device that stores a HTML file including an applet that performs a reception notification;

a server that transmits said HTML file stored in said storage device to at least one terminal, of said plurality of terminals, in accordance with a request for said HTML file from said at least one terminal;

a communicator that connects said at least one terminal with said communication apparatus when a connection request from said at least one terminal is detected, the connection request being made by said applet embedded in said HTML file transmitted to said at least one terminal;

a receiver that receives at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data; and

a detector that detects a reception of the at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data by said receiver, said communicator transmitting said reception notification to said at least one connected terminal via the network, utilizing said applet executed by said at least one terminal, when said detector detects said reception of the at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data, said communicator transmitting said reception notification so that the at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data are distinguishable by said at least one terminal, said communicator continuing to connect to said at least one terminal for a predetermined period after an arrive notification is received, said connection to said at least one terminal being terminated when an end notification is received, said arrive notification and said end notification being transmitted from by said applet embedded in said HTML file transmitted to said at least one terminal.

45 (new). The apparatus of claim 44, wherein the e-mail data is transmitted via the Internet.

46 (new). The apparatus of claim 44, wherein said at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data is transmitted to said at least one terminal via a Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN).

47 (new). The apparatus of claim 44, wherein said applet determines whether a request for said reception notification is valid, said reception notification being transmitted to said at least one connected terminal when said request for said reception notification is determined to be valid.

48 (new). The apparatus of claim 44, further comprising a printing device that prints the at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data received by said receiver.

49 (new). The apparatus of claim 44, further comprising a display device that displays said HTML file at said at least one terminal.

50 (new). A method for communicating at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data to at least one terminal of a plurality of terminals on a network, comprising:

storing a HTML file including an applet that performs a reception notification;

transmitting the stored HTML file from a server to at least one terminal of the plurality of terminals, in accordance with a request for the HTML file from the at least one terminal;

performing a data communication with the at least one terminal when a connection request from the at least one terminal is detected, the connection request

being made by the applet embedded in the HTML file transmitted to the at least one terminal;

receiving at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data; and

detecting a reception of the received at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data, said reception notification being transmitted to said at least one connected terminal via the network, utilizing the applet executed by the at least one terminal, when the reception of the at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data is detected, the reception notification being transmitted so that the at least one of facsimile data and e-mail data is distinguishable by the at least one terminal, the data communication with the at least one terminal being continued for a predetermined period after an arrive notification is received, the data communication with the at least one terminal being terminated when an end notification is received, the arrive notification and the end notification being transmitted by the applet embedded in the HTML file transmitted to the at least one terminal.

51 (new). The method of claim 50, wherein the facsimile data is transmitted via a Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN).

52 (new). The method of claim 50, wherein the applet further comprises:

determining whether a valid request for the reception notification has been

received; and

transmitting the reception notification to the at least one terminal when the request for the reception notification is determined to be valid.